

Supplemental Statement
Pursuant to Section 2 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act
of 1938, as amended

For Six Month Period Ending 2/28
March 30, 2010
(Insert date)

I - REGISTRANT

1. (a) Name of Registrant (b) Registration No.

JWI, LLC dba Jefferson Waterman International

4990

- (c) Business Address(es) of Registrant

1401 K Street NW
Suite 400
Washington, DC 20005

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following:

- (a) If an individual:
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|-----------------------|------------------------------|--|
| (1) Residence address | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Citizenship | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Occupation | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
- (b) If an organization:
- | | | |
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| (1) Name | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Ownership or control | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Branch offices | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

- (c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in items (a) and (b) above.

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IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4 AND 5(a).

3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C¹, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

¹ The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.)

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position	Date connection ended
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- (b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence address	Citizenship	Position	Date assumed
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5. (a) Has any person named in item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such person and describe his service.

- (b) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or connection	Date terminated
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- (c) During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence address	Citizenship	Position	Date assumed
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6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(c) of the supplemental statement?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

N/A

II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL

7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name of foreign principal

Date of termination

AmLib United Minerals

10/1/2009

8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal² during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name and address of foreign principal

Date acquired

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9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principals² whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

International Bank of Azerbaijan

10. **EXHIBITS A AND B**

(a) Have you filed for each of the newly acquired foreign principals in Item 8 the following:

Exhibit A ³	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Exhibit B ⁴	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

(b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during the 6 month period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

² The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in Section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a) (9).) A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

³ The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form CRM-157 (Formerly OBD-67), sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

⁴ The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form CRM-155 (Formerly OBD-65), sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

III - ACTIVITIES

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11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

(Please see Attachment A)

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12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity⁵ as defined below? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates and places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

(Please see Attachment B)

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13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits any or all of your foreign principals? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe fully.

⁵ The term "political activities" means any activity that the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

14. (a) RECEIPTS-MONIES

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies⁶

Date	From whom	Purpose	Amount
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(Please see Attachment C)

\$181,695.48

Total

(b) RECEIPTS – FUND RAISING CAMPAIGN

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fund raising campaign⁷, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D⁸ to your registration? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date _____

(c) RECEIPTS – THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value⁹ other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name of foreign principal	Date received	Description of thing of value	Purpose
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6, 7 A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, money, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fund raising campaign. (See Rule 201(e).)

8 An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fund raising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

9 Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

15. (a) **DISBURSEMENTS – MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

(1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐(2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Date	To whom	Purpose	Amount
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(Please see Attachment D)

\$67,284.72

Total

(b) DISBURSEMENTS – THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value¹⁰ other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date disposed	Name of person to whom given	On behalf of what foreign principal	Description of thing of value	Purpose
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(c) DISBURSEMENTS – POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value¹¹ in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount or thing of value	Name of political organization	Name of candidate
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^{10, 11} Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks" and the like.

V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

16. During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials ¹²?
 Yes ☒ No ☐

IF YES, RESPOND TO THE REMAINING ITEMS IN SECTION V.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

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18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

- | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio or TV broadcasts | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Magazine or newspaper articles | <input type="checkbox"/> Motion picture films | <input type="checkbox"/> Letters or telegrams |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising campaigns | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Press releases | <input type="checkbox"/> Pamphlets or other publications | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lectures or speeches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Internet | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ | | |

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

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|--|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Officials | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspapers | <input type="checkbox"/> Libraries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legislators | <input type="checkbox"/> Editors | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational institutions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government agencies | <input type="checkbox"/> Civic groups or associations | <input type="checkbox"/> Nationality groups |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ | | |

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

- ☒ English ☐ Other (specify) _____

22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act? Yes ☐ No ☒

12 The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.

VI – EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to the truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Type or print name under each signature¹³)
_____Charles E. Waterman, Chief Executive Officer

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¹³ This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FARA REGISTRATION UNIT
NATIONAL SECURITY DIVISION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

NOTICE

Please answer the following questions and return this sheet in triplicate with your Supplemental Statement:

1. Is your answer to Item 16 of Section V (Informational Materials – page 8 of Form NSD-2, formerly Form CRM-154 Supplemental Statement):

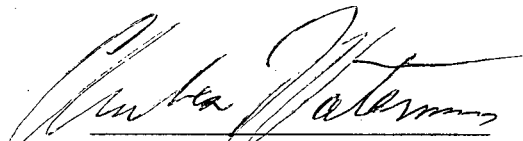
YES ✓ or NO _____

(If your answer to question 1 is "yes" do not answer question 2 of this form.)

2. Do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration:

YES _____ or NO _____

(If your answer to question 2 is "yes", please forward for our review copies of all material including: films, film catalogs, posters, brochures, press releases, etc. which you have disseminated during the past six months.)


Signature

3-23-2010
Date

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CHARLES WATERMAN
Please type or print name of
Signatory on the line above

CEO, JWI
Title



U.S. Department of Justice

National Security Division

Washington, DC 20530

THIS FORM IS TO BE AN OFFICIAL ATTACHMENT TO YOUR CURRENT SUPPLEMENTAL
STATEMENT - PLEASE EXECUTE IN TRIPPLICATE

SHORT-FORM REGISTRATION INFORMATION SHEET

SECTION A

The Department records list active short-form registration statements for the following persons of your organization filed on the date indicated by each name. If a person is not still functioning in the same capacity directly on behalf of the foreign principal, please show the date of termination.

Short Form List for Registrant: JWI, LLC

Last Name	First Name and Other Names	Registration Date	Termination Date	Role
Hoskinson	Samuel M.	02/06/1995		
Waterman	Charles E.	02/06/1995		
Wyman	Samuel H.	02/06/1995		
Yates	Kenneth A.	01/07/1998		

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U.S. Department of Justice

National Security Division

Washington, DC 20530

SECTION B

N/A

In addition to those persons listed in Section A, list below all current employees rendering services directly on behalf of the foreign principals(s) who have not filed short-form registration statements. (Do not list clerks, secretaries, typists or employees in a similar or related capacity). If there is some question as to whether an employee has an obligation to file a short-form, please address a letter to the Registration Unit describing the activities and connection with the foreign principal.

Name	Function	Date Hired

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

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Attachment A

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During the six-month period ending March 30, 2010 the registrant engaged in the following activities on behalf of New Century Media:

The firm contacted, in person, by telephone, or by e-mail, members of the U.S. Government, and members of the media on behalf of New Century Media's client, Ayad Jamal Al-din in order to arrange meetings and interviews.

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Attachment A

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During the six-month period ending March 30, 2010, the registrant engaged in the following activities on behalf of the International Bank of Azerbaijan:

The firm contacted, in person, by telephone, or by e-mail, members of the U.S. Government, as noted further in Attachment B, to discuss legislation and related issues concerning the security and trade interests of the Foreign Principal.

The firm provided advice and counsel to the Foreign Principal with reference to the political activity described below, including:

- Reporting orally and in writing on all legislative and Administration actions of concern or interest to the Foreign Principal, as deemed appropriate.
- Drafting substantive analyses, as needed, or requested, to promote the objectives of the Foreign Principal.
- Assisting, when requested, in the setting up of meetings between the Foreign Principal and U.S. Government officials and members of the private sector.
- As requested, contacting in person, by phone, by fax, or by letter representatives of the private sector to discuss the Foreign Principal's objectives in the United States.

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Attachment B

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During the six-month period ending March 30, 2010 the registrant engaged political, security and/or trade activities on behalf of the International Bank of Azerbaijan:

- A. The firm contacted, in person or by telephone, officials of the United States Government at least one time but not more than twenty times on issues relating to the security or trade interests of the International Bank of Azerbaijan:

Desk officer at the U.S. 11/18/2009
Department of State
Azerbaijan Desk

- B. The firm contacted no members of the media on behalf of the International Bank of Azerbaijan: during the reporting period.

Attachment B

During the six-month period ending March 30, 2010 the registrant engaged in political activities on behalf of New Century Media:

- A. The firm contacted, in person or by telephone, officials of the United States Government at least one time but not more than twenty times on behalf of New Century Media to arrange meetings for their client during his visit to Washington:

Office of Iraq Affairs	12/28/09
NEA/I/POL	12/28/09
National Security Council	12/13/09
State/INR/NESA	1/21/10

- B. The firm contacted members of the US media, in person or by telephone, on behalf of New Century Media to arrange meetings and interviews for their client during his visit to Washington:

Voice of America	1/8/10
	1/22/10
CNN	12/7/09
CNN International	1/12/10
Radio Sawa	1/18/10
National Press Club	12/4/09
	1/11/10
	1/15/10
Bloomberg	1/22/10
Washington Post	1/15/10
Boston Globe	1/11/10
Newsweek	1/28/10
International Herald Tribune	1/21/10
The Nation	1/13/10
Al Jazeera	1/28/10

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Attachment B

New Century Media (cont')

- C. The firm contacted a number of organizations to arrange speaking events for the New Century Media client:

Institute for Global Economic Growth	1/18/10
Middle East Media Research Group	1/12/10
Atlantic Council	1/12/10
American Enterprise Institute	12/9/09
US Institute for Peace	1/21/10

Attachment C**Income Received between September 1, 2009 and February 28, 2010**

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International Bank of Azerbaijan

Date	Amount	Purpose
9/9/2009	\$25,000.00	Professional Staff Services
9/9/2009	\$13,006.74	Expense Reimbursement
10/20/2009	\$25,000.00	Professional Staff Services
10/20/2009	\$9,005.22	Expense Reimbursement
11/24/2009	\$25,000.00	Professional Staff Services
11/24/2009	\$15,939.53	Expense Reimbursement
12/18/2009	\$25,000.00	Professional Staff Services
12/28/2009	\$1,849.06	Expense Reimbursement
1/13/2009	\$25,000.00	Professional Staff Services
1/13/2009	\$4,894.93	Expense Reimbursement
Total:	<u>\$169,695.48</u>	

All payments made by the International Bank of Azerbaijan.

Attachment C

Income Received between September 1, 2009 and February 28, 2010

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Date	Amount	Purpose
1/11/2010	\$12,000.00	Professional Staff Services
Total:	<u>\$12,000.00</u>	

All payments made by New Century Media

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Attachment D:

Out of Pocket Expenses September 1, 2009 and February 28, 2010

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International Bank of Azerbaijan

Travel & Transportation:	\$49,698.33
Meals & Entertainment:	\$311.77
Telephone & Facsimiles:	\$960.19
Commissions April, May June:	\$15,000.00
Translation services:	\$86.32
FARA:	\$305.00
Membership fee US- Azerbaijan Chamber of Commerce:	\$800.00

Total: **\$67,161.71**

The main travel expenses were Sam Wyman flying from the United States to Baku, Azerbaijan, and Sam Wyman traveling to New York City, New York for client consultations. Travel and Transportation also includes expenses for hotels and local transportation such as taxis and parking.

Commissions are derived from the \$25,000 monthly income from International Bank of Azerbaijan.

Neither members of the U.S. Government nor the media benefited from expenditures on Travel and Transportation or Meals and Entertainment on behalf of the International Bank of Azerbaijan.

Attachment D:

Out of Pocket Expenses September 1, 2009 and February 28, 2010

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Travel & Transportation:	\$18.35
Meals & Entertainment:	\$104.66
Total:	<u>\$123.01</u>

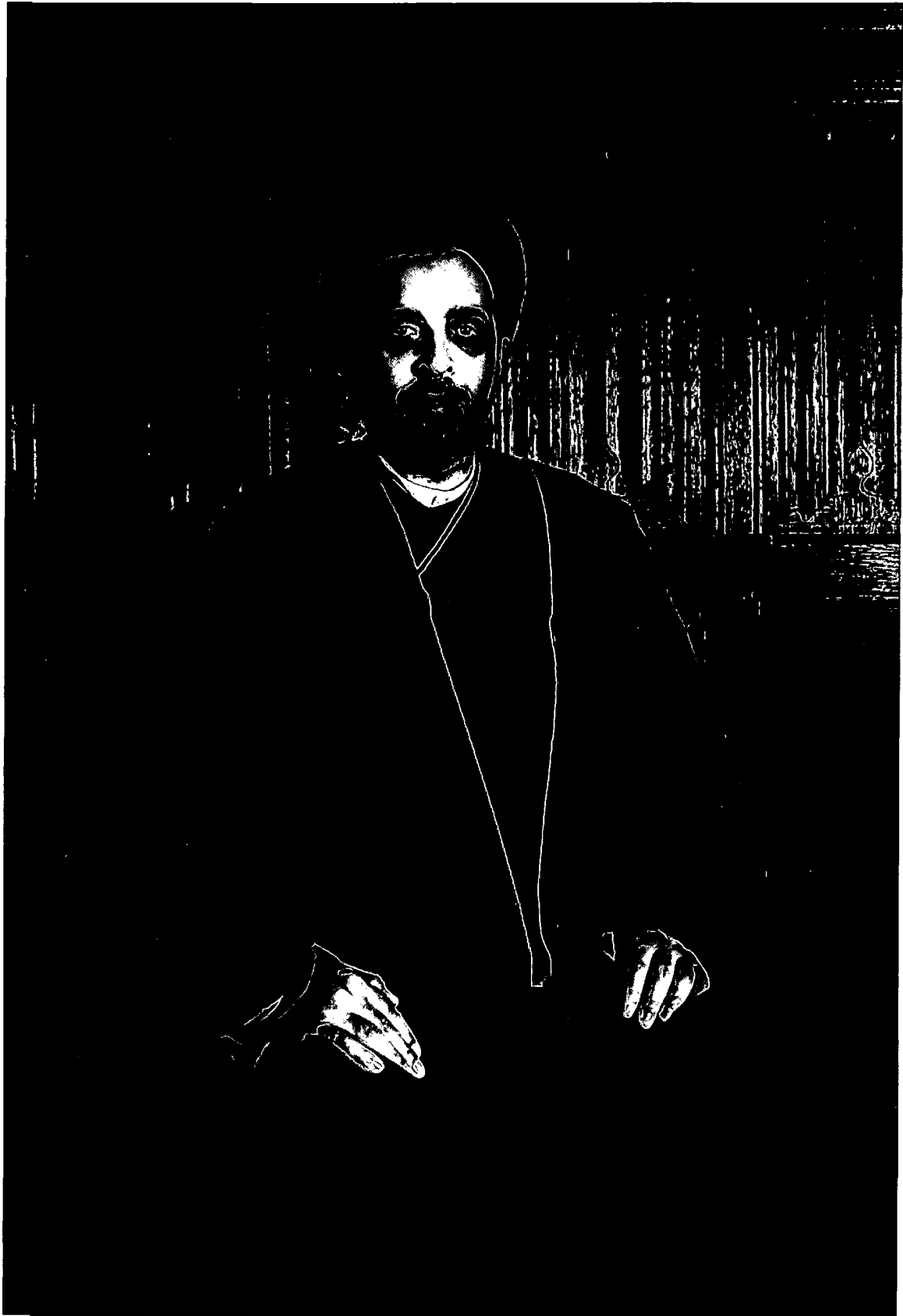
The main Travel and Transportation expenses were for taxis for Ken Yates, and the visiting Iraqi client of New Century Media.

Neither members of the U.S. Government nor the media benefited from expenditures on Travel and Transportation or Meals and Entertainment on behalf of New Century Media.

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The ensuing pages include all those informational materials
disseminated on behalf of the client New Century Media

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Ayad Jamal Aldin

Selected Quotes



On Islamic faith and terrorism:

"The Prophet destroyed the mosques of those who would commit terrorism. So would I."

On the 2003 war:

"The US and UK must not leave until the legacy of the war (The three cancers: the cancer of corruption, the cancer of sectarianism and the cancer of poisonous weapons left by the war) are cured."

On Iran:

"They are the puppet masters of most of the candidates running in Iraq. They are the great evil in Iraq politics. Theirs is the new invasion."

On security:

"These bombs do not come from nowhere. They are coming from Syria, Iran, and elsewhere. How do they come in? Through the corruption of border patrols and checkpoints. Anyone involved in this sort of corruption must face the death penalty."

On his approval of the (limited) use of alcohol:

"I have never seen a terrorist coming out of a bar, but some do come out of mosques."

On Maliki

"He is the weakest link - a man who turns a blind eye to corruption and foreign meddling in Iraq."

Ayad Jamal Aldin

Profile



Ayad Jamal Aldin (pronounced: Ad Deen) is a young (48), Shia cleric, best known for his consistent campaigning for a secular Iraq and a new politics. Calling for a state that is not based on religion or theological symbols, he first rose to prominence at the Nasiriyah conference in March 2003, shortly before the fall of Saddam. In 2005, he was elected as one of the 25 MPs on the Iraqi National List, but withdrew from that list in 2009 after becoming disenchanted with the government's overtures to Iran. He is calling for complete independence from Iranian interference in Iraq and leads the Ahrar (Liberal) party for the 2010 election for the Council of Representatives.

He was born in 1961 in Najaf, still home for most of his family. His late father was a literary scholar, who wrote more than 50 books, and his uncle was the famous poet Sayed Mustafa Jamal Aldin. Although he eventually trained as a Shia cleric, he was brought up in an environment where science, culture, poetry and religion were studied together. That study is the source of his belief that Iraq's problems are first of all 'human problems.' At the age sixteen he became publically active when he protested against the attempt of Saddam's government to prevent Shia from making a pilgrimage to Karbala.

He paid for his protest by being exiled to Syria and later Iran, where he studied the Qu'ran and Shari'a for eight years and earned a master's degree in Philosophy. He supports the creation of a secular state not to reduce the role of God in our lives; but to *liberate* religion from the state. He wants to see an end to the political sectarianism that pits Kurd against Shia and Turkmen against Sunni, believing that "we have a shared history, and we have a shared destiny". He has consistently argued that freedom, tolerance and security walk hand-in-hand.

Mr. Jamal Aldin is privately wealthy due to a number of successful business interests and investments across the Middle East. His success has allowed him to personally contribute to the funding of the Ahrar Party and its efforts to unite Iraq, and together with modest contributions from grassroots party members this keeps Ahrar independent from the corruption that is rife among other political movements in Iraq.

As the father of six children – three boys and three girls – he is fighting in the coming election for their future, and that of all the children in Iraq. He sees the need for reform in a country where a three year-old girl can distinguish different types of explosion, where children are forced to work to help their families to survive, and where children are born into a world of poverty and thirst, in a 'land of two rivers' that sits on top of a sea of oil.

That is why he formed the Ahrar Party.

The Ahrar Party warns against the danger of Iraq becoming an Iranian client state

Today the Leader of the Ahrar Party, Ayad Jamal Aldin warned against the possibility of Iraq becoming an Iranian satellite state.

Speaking on a visit to the United States, Mr Aldin warned that a lack of interest and engagement by the rest of the world in Iraq could result in an expanded Iranian influence which could destabilize the whole region.

Mr Aldin said, "The al-Maliki government, which is an alliance of Shiite political groups – some of which receive funding and support from Iran – rely upon this extremist state for support and to maintain their authority."

"Iraq is a sovereign country and should be free of foreign influences. Iraqis have lived under the crushing yolk of dictators and foreign powers for large parts of their history. As a democracy, Iraqis have a chance to forge their own future, united and together."

"Iran's creeping influence must be resisted to prevent further sectarian violence."

"To rush the American withdrawal of troops from Iraq, risks creating a vacuum which Iran will only too gladly fill with potentially disastrous consequences for the United States and Iraq."

"If elected, Ahrar intends to stamp out the corrupt and sectarian policies, which are leading to violence and Iranian pre-eminence in the region."

- Notes

The Ahrar movement members include Sunni, Shia, Kurd and Christian faiths

For further information or interview requests with Ayad Jamal Aldin, or any other member of the Ahrar party, please contact the Ahrar press team at:

press@ahrarparty.com

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Q & A

On withdrawal of US troops

When should the United States withdraw its troops from Iraq?

The United States must be extremely careful about setting a date to begin withdrawing troops from Iraq. I would not withdraw the troops for a while yet and to withdraw US troops for arbitrary political reasons would be a disaster. Iraqi society and its security forces are rife with corruption and sectarianism and with democracy in Iraq as fragile as it is, I fear that a United States withdrawal will allow extremists and Iranian-sympathizers to overcome the will of the Iraqi people.

Why should the US sacrifice its troops for Iraq when we're told Iraqis security forces are sufficient in number and training?

As I have said, Iraqi security forces are subject to the same corruption and sectarianism that affects the broader Iraqi society. When the bombs of October 25th 2009 struck government buildings, a senior judge in Iraq said that they happened because of the corrupt behavior of officers manning checkpoints. He rightly points out that "These car bombs don't come from the sky. They must be driven in streets until they reach their target." This is the sorry state of Iraqi 'security'.

When the US overthrew Saddam Hussein in 2003, Iraqis were promised a safe, secure and democratic Iraq. Iraq is 0 for 3 by those measures and for US troops to withdraw now would leave Iraq vulnerable to violent extremists who are enabled by corrupt security forces.

How can the US help this situation?

I believe that the United States forces need to remain true to their original mission. We have democracy in name alone – but in practice, President al-Maliki's government has indulged in corrupt and sectarian policies which have endangered or killed thousands of people. If the United States and the international community do not commit to helping the Iraqi government stamp out corrupt and sectarian behavior, Iran will be the ultimate beneficiary as they are helping to fund and influence extremist Shiite groups, which will stimulate a response from Sunni extremists. This has the potential to lead to a further round of ethnic and sectarian violence.



What will Ahrar and Ayad Jamal Aldin do to help this situation?

Ahrar is a non-sectarian and secular movement which is for all Iraqis. Our membership is broad and includes Shiites, Sunnis, Kurds, Turkmen and Christians. We firmly believe that Iraq should be a secular state which rejects corruption and foreign influence. Through such measures we can achieve the security which all Iraqis and Americans want to see. As Leader of Ahrar, I have fought against corruption and sectarianism my whole life, and have been targeted for assassination on several occasions. I know what it means to risk my own personal security to speak out and will not rest until Iraq is also safe and secure. Once it is, Ahrar believes that then, and only then, should American troops disengage from their role in Iraq.

You are a new party. Are your thoughts shared by the Iraqi people?

In 2009, Transparency International reported that 48% of Iraqis had paid a bribe in the previous 12 months to secure basic services whether they are healthcare, education or security. Asked why they did not complain, one in five said they did not because they feared reprisals. The interrelated issues of corruption, sectarianism and violence have a direct impact on the lives of ordinary Iraqi citizens right now.



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Ahrar Party

"Only Nations Living in the Past Produce Martyrs" -

Ayad Jamal Aldin, Leader of the Ahrar party

Tom Friedman, New York Times describes Ayad Jamal Aldin as...

"Having the courage to tell the truth in Iraq" -

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Summary

The Iraqi general elections are set to be held in March 2010.

Ahrar was launched on October 31st 2009 and is a new political movement open to all Iraqis regardless of their religious beliefs.

The movement is led by, Ayad Jamal Aldin, 48, the nephew of Iraqi poet Sayed Mustafa Jamal Aldin who has campaigned for a new, secular Iraq since 2003.

Ahrar offers a strong and viable alternative as a force for change against the current Iraqi Prime Minister and Government.

Ahrar pledges to restore dignity to Iraq's Government by tackling corruption and violence within the country. The movement's policies are based on three simple defining principles:

- **Reconciliation**
- **Security**
- **Reconstruction**

In addition to tackling corruption and taking a stance against foreign influences, especially from Iran, the Party's key policies include:

- **The Creation of 1 million jobs, especially for those under 25 years old**
- **Reducing power failures and improving power supply within 2 years**
- **Conducting a major upgrade of water supplies within the country**



About the Movement

Ahrar is a completely new movement for all Iraqis -- whether Sunni, Shia, Kurd or Turkmen. It is less a political party, and more a movement of people who want to join together to rebuild our country. Ahrar supporters have in common a belief in Iraq's shared history, and a common destiny. They share a vision of a dignified life for everyone in Iraq and want to see an Iraq founded on hope, not fear. Fundamentally Ahrar believes that poverty and terrorism are not Sunni, Shia or Kurdish concerns—they are Iraqi concerns.

Ahrar is a popular movement, because it believes Iraq's best hope lies in the Iraqi people and not the politicians, who have let us down through corruption and incompetence. Iraq's political system is broken and Ahrar wants to take Iraq's future in its own hands, whether young or old; man or woman; Sunni, Shia, Kurd or Christian. Ahrar believes that what unites Iraqis is more important than what divides them.

Many politicians now say that they are for secularism and unity, but they still use religion and government for their own ends. They trade their people for political positions, and their principles for power. Ahrar is different. The movement's leader—Ayad Jamal Aldin—has always campaigned for secularism and unity, regardless of religion, and has risked his life to do so. He has always stood for unity—and for One Iraq.

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In 2005, he was elected as one of the 25 MPs on the Iraqi National List, but withdrew in 2009 after becoming disenchanted with Iyad Allawi's overtures to Iran. He wants complete independence from Iranian interference in Iraq. He now leads the Ahrar party for the 2010 election to the Council of Representatives, to clean up corruption and create a strong, secure and liberated Iraq for the future. This document explains his background, that of Ahrar and why he is contesting this election.

Principles of the Ahrar Party

1: Iraqi citizenship

Strengthening national unity on the basis of adherence to the principle of Iraqi citizenship. An Iraqi is any person who belongs to the land of Iraq and who holds Iraqi nationality. All Iraqis are equal in rights and duties, regardless of their ethnic, religious or sectarian, gender or clan or district affiliation. No Iraqi has the right to be superior his Iraqi brother.

2: Security of the State

Providing security, protection of national unity and the restoration of full sovereignty to the Iraqis in Iraq in cooperation with national political and popular forces through a commitment to the constitution and the law.

3: Security of Citizens

Providing security for the Iraqi people and removing the fear from life; to be effective in reconstructing Iraq, to issue laws to protect civil and political rights of citizens and adopt international conventions ratified by Iraq, such as the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948), and to incorporate their values into the Iraqi culture.

4: Freedom of Thought

Ensuring the political, professional and economic rights of the Iraqi people and respect for freedom of thought and expression. Citizens have the right to use the media to express their views and should encourage the values of tolerance and acceptance of others as well as respect for other's opinion as long as there is no harm done to individuals.

5: Women's Rights

Iraqi women are partners with men in the country and have the right to full equality with men before the law. The Ahrar Party will work to raise the cultural and educational level of women and encourage them to take their natural role in public life, to involve them in decision-making, to cancel all unjust laws and to give attention to maternal and child rights.

6: Civil Society Organizations

We will support and protect the role of the non-governmental organizations within the new civil society, without the interference of a party or state. This includes trade unions, agricultural or professional associations, women's groups, human rights organizations and others.

7: Nationality Law

We will reconsider the law of Iraqi nationality, ensuring full equality between citizens, the abolition of the principle of distinction on the basis of dependency, disallow the stripping a citizen of Iraqi nationality for any reason, and to accept the right of dual nationality.

8: Education: the key to the future

We will amend school curricula and education in order to achieve an understanding of the principles of a free society, work to provide schools and universities with new technologies, encourage engagement in scientific research, identify the necessary resources, and open the educational system to the scientific and cultural developments in other parts of the world.

9: Economy

Adopt an economic policy to ensure the basic interests of citizens, upgrade and increase productive and export industries - particularly the oil sector, ensure the stability of international oil markets and avoid the game of "price wars", and strive against financial corruption .

10: Health

Every Iraqi has the right to a healthy life and the state is responsible for the good health of its citizens. We must protect public health and the provision of affordable health services for all. The state needs to support and monitor health institutions in the private sector.

11: Culture

We are committed to a stable and resurgent culture of the community that rejects dependency, sloth, and irresponsibility, both in organizing participation in public life and in respecting the national interest.

12: Agriculture

We will develop agricultural processes that contribute to increasing the production and quality of agriculture, through the use of advanced scientific means, investment, the use of modern techniques in irrigation projects, reclamation of lands and support for the tools necessary for the care of livestock.

13: Environment

Every Iraqi has the right to a well maintained and clean environment to include the soil, water, air, and flora and fauna. The State has to protect the environment, particularly from industrial pollution, and must work to rid the environment of the remnants of war, such as land mines, portable weapons and barbed wire. The State must take into account cleanliness and the beauty of the environment when planning or initiating projects in the country.

14: International Relations

Iraqis have the right to benefit from a responsible and meaningful foreign policy, based on mutual respect, non-interference in the internal affairs of others, respect for national sovereignty and the resolution of all disputes by peaceful means. Also, the citizen has the right to enjoy a national foreign policy that is committed to international regulations and legislation consistent with the interests of Iraq.



THE POLITICAL LANDSCAPE

People want CHANGE

They are concerned about SECURITY and CORRUPTION

They want:

- JOBS
- BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE FIXED
- COST OF LIVING TACKLED

People must feel THEY CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE WITH THEIR VOTE



AHRAR'S GOAL: ONE IRAQ

Reconciliation:	Bringing Iraqis Together
Security:	Protecting them
Reconstruction:	Creating jobs and restoring basic services

About Ahrar:

Hope for the future of Iraq.

Fighting Corruption.

Fighting foreign influence (esp. Iran)

Secular and non-sectarian

Independent

Open, accountable, transparent

ENDING CORRUPTION

Corruption permeates all aspects of Iraqi life and society. There is one way to bring about an end to corruption and establish the strong, accountable central government that Iraq needs; that is to end sectarianism.

At the core of our corruption problems is the government itself. Government ministers are not chosen by the Prime Minister based on ability. They are imposed by sectarian parties.

Ministers appointed under this formula answer to a sect or faction not the Iraqi people. A corrupt minister will be protected and corruption covered up by his party or any sect he claims to be loyal to. Ahrar believes in restoring central power and allowing the Prime Minister to make appointments based on merit.

Maliki became Prime Minister according to factional allocations. His Islamic Dawa Party is a well-known Islamic Shia Party close to Iran. He didn't select his ministers on merit. Ministries are allocated according to deals between sects.

Sectarian parties have helped form the government. Maliki is a culprit in this corruption but not a sole perpetrator. His partners in corruption are all the existing ruling parties.

There has to be a government capable of keeping its promises, strengthening central power in Iraq, addressing people's basic needs, spreading security, law, and the sovereignty of the country. Negative foreign influence has to be detected in Iraq.

Iraqis have to be helped towards a better life. This is what Ahrar hopes for. Those who call for sectarianism and factions are people who try to fragment the Iraqi nation into sects, tribes, ethnic regions, and factions. They are the greatest danger, even more than any external enemy.

Ahrar hopes that the Iraqi nation will reject them and choose a parliament based on national principles not sectarianism and away from the political abuse of religion.



AHRAR: FOR REAL CHANGE IN IRAQ

Ahrar is the NEW movement for secularism and ONE IRAQ, united and free for ALL, regardless of ethnic background, religion or gender.

SECURITY

Freedom and security walk hand-in-hand

We will:

- provide extra resources for securing Iraq's borders
- build the strength of the police force and the army
- an end to illegal militias

RECONCILIATION

Whatever our background we are all Iraqis first.

We will work to reconcile Iraq's ethnicities, religions and nationalisms.

We are the children of the same land and with one common destiny.

We will:

- end corruption and sectarianism in our politics
- build a genuinely secular Iraq

RECONSTRUCTION

We will work to rebuild our infrastructure shattered over the past ten years.

We will use our vast oil reserves for the benefit of the people.

Till now it has been wasted – despite \$18billion spent, 97% of us know the danger and frustration of power cuts while two thirds go without clean, running water.



For anyone to go thirsty in the land of the Two Rivers is a crime against the Iraqi people.

We will:

- create 1 million new jobs, especially for the young
- establish working electricity within 2 years
- fast-track foreign investment into Iraqi industry
- use oil revenue to deliver running water to all Iraqis

SOME SIMPLE FACTS ABOUT LIFE UNDER MALIKI

ELECTRICITY

Under Maliki electricity prices have increased by 10 times in a month whilst one third of the power grid lies idle

11th March, 2008

New York Times

WATER

Since 2003 the number of Iraqis without water has increased from 50% to 70%

July 2007

Oxfam

JOBS

30% of under 30s are without work and because of corruption Iraqis must pay for a job

15th February, 2009

LA Times

OIL

Fuel prices have risen by 800% since 2004 and most Iraqis get less than 11 hours of power each day

January 2009

USAid

COST OF LIVING

Food prices have doubled since 2004

January 2009

Inter-Agency Information Unit, United Nations

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Who are Ahrar?

- A. A new political movement headed by Ayad Jamal Aldin standing on a non-sectarian and inclusive political ticket to tackle corruption and the problems which stem from it. We are committed to fighting corruption – foreign influence, ending sectarianism in politics and to return trust to everyday life in Iraq.

2. Why is it different?

- A. As oppose to other parties, Ahrar is a movement for anyone who wishes to see the end of corruption and sectarianism within Iraqi government and society. Our candidates are Sunni, Shia, Kurd and Christian – over x% are women. Unlike other politicians, Ayad Jamal Aldin has consistently spread this message.

3. How can you be trusted to deliver?

- A. Ahrar has seen countless examples of the problems and issues which are caused to Iraqi citizens by the political elite's corruption and sectarian positions. Ahrar will make it a priority to tackle corruption by ensuring anyone suspected of corrupt activity are investigated and any charges following from that will be prosecuted for the maximum sentence. In five years if you do not believe we have delivered on eradicating corrupt practises from government, or that the security situation has not improved, or that the sectarian divides in Iraqi society still exist, you can vote to remove Ahrar.

4. How will you specifically....:

1. Create jobs?

- A. Crucial to creating jobs is improving the security situation. Only then will Iraq be in the position to attract stable foreign direct investment

and only then will ordinary Iraqis feel safe in setting up a business to improve their own lives. Ahrar acknowledges the barriers faced by small businesses and entrepreneurs and would seek to end the corruption faced by these businesses at a local council level. We want to give Iraqis power and control over their own lives. We will bring an end to the culture of corruption which sees Iraqis having to pay to find a job.

2. Tackle corruption?

- A. We will empower the Iraqi Commission of Public Integrity to investigate all officials, civil servants and elected representatives where complaints have been raised. The Iraqi Commission of Public Integrity will also be empowered and resourced to take cases to court and they will be backed to seek the maximum sentence. There will be no grace or favours offered to party members. Iraqis do not pay taxes so that their public servants can steal from them.

3. Restore security?

- A. We must re-engage with Ba'athists. They represent a sizeable disenfranchised group in Iraqi society and without their support, ethnic tensions will continue to simmer. We must also ensure that Iraqi interests are maintained. Iranian influence within the Shia political groupings is a growing and worrying trend. Iraq is one nation and while we should be tolerant of each other's religious differences, we are all Iraqis first and foremost. Security and corruption are also linked and a special investigative branch linked to the Iraqi Commission of Public Integrity will be set up to investigate each member of the security forces. Bombings should be traceable by the roadblocks that cars / trucks have passed through – those found to have offered a route to a target will be suspended pending an investigation and prosecuted to the full extent of the law as an accessory to terrorism and punished accordingly.

4. Fix the electricity and water problems?

- A. As things stand, supply of these basic elements are accessible only as a result of bribery and corruption. Iraq has sufficient by way of oil supplies to power itself and to export to gain additional revenues. The Ministry of Oil as a result of corruption has been more insistent on exporting / selling than domestic provision. By addressing the issues of corruption through prosecution at the point of origin and the end of the supply chain, Ahrar plans to ensure that water and electricity supply are secure and more reliable than they presently are.